18, and claims 17 and 18 have been cancelled. Claim 16 should therefore be allowable.

Claims 19-24 depend from claim 16, and are also in condition for allowance.

The Examiner also indicated that claims 25-38 were allowed.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the specification and claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "Version with markings to show changes made."

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, applicant submits that all of the claims are now in condition for allowance, and respectfully requests the Examiner to pass the claims to issue.

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